

with the cost of conventional sources taking into account various fiscal and promotional incentives available for wind power projects.

(d) Yes, Sir. Wind resource assessment studies are taken up with the cooperation of various States including Rajasthan for identifying new potential areas for setting up of wind power projects, which could supplement electricity generation from conventional sources.

Scheme for electrification through new renewable energy sources

485. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh has forwarded schemes for electrification of remote villages through new and renewable energy sources to the Central Government;

(b) if so, the total number of such proposals alongwith the amount involved therein;

(c) the action being taken thereon; and

(d) by when the approval is likely to be accorded to these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) to (d) There is no proposal from Government of Andhra Pradesh for electrification of un-electrified remote census villages through new and renewable energy sources under the Remote Village Electrification Programme of the Ministry. However, two proposals have been sanctioned by the Ministry for taking up test projects under Ministry's village Energy Security Programme, which is being implemented in unelectrified villages for meeting energy needs including cooking, lighting and motive power.

Status of gas based power plants in Andhra Pradesh

486. SHRI CHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR:

SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of gas based power plants in Andhra Pradesh;